



Gregorio Gomez, Mayor  
Paul Boyer, Mayor Pro Tem  
Don Rowlett, Council Member  
Matt Sisk, Council Member  
Leonel Benavides, Council  
Member

**DRAFT  
MEETING MINUTES**

**Farmersville City Council  
Regular Meeting**

**June 27, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.**

Meeting held in Civic Center Council Chambers  
909 W. Visalia Road Farmersville, California

1. Call To Order at 7:00 PM
2. Roll Call: *Present: Gomez, Boyer, and Sisk.*  
*Rowlett arrives at 7:04pm,*  
*Benavides (Excused Absence)*
3. Invocation *Led by Mayor Gomez*
4. Pledge of Allegiance *Led by Mayor Gomez*
5. Public Comment

Provides an opportunity for members of the public to address the City Council on items of interest to the public within the Council's jurisdiction and which are not already on the agenda this evening. It is the policy of the Council not to answer questions impromptu. Concerns or complaints will be referred to the City Manager's office. Speakers should limit their comments to not more than two (2) minutes. No more than twenty (20) total minutes will be allowed for Public Comment. For items which are on the agenda this evening, members of the public will be provided an opportunity to address the council as each item is brought up for discussion. Comments are to be addressed to the Council as a body and not to any individual Council Member.

*None*

6. Public Hearings

6.1 (7:00PM) Continuation Of Public Hearing: ZOA 2016-01 Drive Thru Uses In Central Commercial Zone - Continued From May 23, 2016.

Continuation of Public Hearing regarding Zoning Ordinance amendment 2016-01 and draft Ordinance 475 to permit drive thru uses in Central Commercial ("CC") Zoning District.

Mayor Gomez re-opens the public

*City Manager provides brief introductory comments on this item and updates Council as to completing additional noticing to neighbor property owners and residents (approximately 150 mailings, and of the Public Works Dept. repairs to improve the alleyway. Cautions that repairs to alleyway are designed to address dust issue during the dry months but is likely to need additional temp repairs to address storm water in wet months short of a comprehensive and permanent repair that the city is unable to fund at the present time*

*City Planner Schoettler provides review of proposed ZOA. (Repeat of May 23, 2016) presentation.*

*Mayor Gomez re-opens / continues the public hearing for public comment in favor and opposed to the proposal.*

*Mr. Rios testifies on behalf of himself and neighboring resident and property owners against the proposal due to concerns raised earlier hearing on May 23.*

*Thanks the Council for listening to their concerns and for the additional noticing by City Staff.*

*Thanks Public Works for their effort to repair/improve alley.*

*Suggests if this is approved that speed bumps and drainage improvements be considered.*

*Mayor asks for any additional comments, for or against. Seeing none Mayor closes the Public Hearing and returns the matter to Council for discussion and question of staff.*

*Councilmember Rowlett wants to support business, but is concerned that we acted several years ago in adopting our general plan to not permit drive thru's and now we are considered going back on that decision and he is not comfortable with that.*

*Mayor Pro Tem Boyer: thanks staff for alley repairs, thanks the Planning Commission for their work in reviewing this proposal, and thanks Karl for his presentation.*

*Indicates he does not like the design in Figure #2. Likes the requirement to only allow with a CU that would require proponent to repair alleys ways at their cost.*

*Wants to consider screening for headlights in design.*

*Wants to be business friendly but also be good neighbors to adjacent residences.*

*He could support the proposal if Design Figure 2 was removed and not allowed.*

*Indicate she would like to see a future agenda item addressing alley improvement repairs plans.*

*Mayor Gomez ask if a drive thru bank branch would be allowed under this proposal and staff responds, "Yes". Continues with comment that we wanted a pedestrian friendly downtown when we adopted General Plan, and he thinks to make the CUP applicants repairs the alleyways is unreasonable.*

*Boyer ask if headlight screening could be incorporated to the approval tonight, Staff respond, "yes" and would handle on a case by case basis.*

*Mayor Pro Tem makes Motion to waive second reading, approve with modification to include remove Figure 2 as a design option, and require headlight screening.*

*Motion dies due to a lack of second.*

*No further motions offered by Council.*

*Item is not approved based on lack of affirmative vote to approve.*

## 7. Consent Agenda

Under a CONSENT AGENDA category, a recommended course of action for each item is made. Any Council Member or Member of the Public may remove any item from the CONSENT AGENDA in order to discuss and/or change the recommended course of action, and the Council can approve the remainder of the CONSENT AGENDA.

7.1 Consideration of Draft City Council Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2016.  
Review and approve draft City Council meeting minutes of June 13, 2016.

*Motion by Boyer, Second by Rowlett: with vote by Gomez, Boyer and Rowlett to approve Consent Calendar. Sisk abstains due to absence at June 13 meeting. Benavides absent.*

## 8. Discussion Action Items (New Business)

8.1 Special Event and Recreation Funding FY 2016-2017  
Recommendation by City Council Ad Hoc Committee for sponsorship of Community and Recreation Events in Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

*City Manager introduces this item and then turns it over to Mayor Gomez to speak on behalf of the Ad Hoc Committees (Gomez and Benavides) recommendation to fund Special Events, recreation and community programs.*

*Boyer likes the conservative approach given financial uncertainties with City and asks how much has been budgeted for this in 16/17. Jansons responds, "\$10K"*

*Boyer raises issue that proposed funding for Spanish Bethel Church is "\$1,000, as in year's past", so why not "as in year's past" for sports leagues when this proposes to award then less than last year? And can we increase these amounts?*

*Staff respond we could in future if financial times improve, but right now we recommend being conservative.*

*Sisk indicates he likes the proposal as presented.*

*Rowlett states he is ok with it either way.*

*Boyer makes Motion to approve with increase awards to Farmersville Youth Baseball and Farmersville Girls Softball and Pee Wees to \$1,000 each. Second by Gomez: with vote to approve of 3-0-1 Ayes: Gomez, Boyer, and Rowlett. Abstain: Sisk. Absent Benavides.*

9. Council Reports

**City Council Representatives to External / Internal Organizations and Committees**

Council of Cities: Mayor Gomez  
Alternate: Councilmember Benavides

TCAG: Mayor Gomez  
Alternate: Mayor Pro Tem Boyer

TCAG Rail Comm: Councilmember Sisk

EDC: Councilmember Benavides  
Alternate: Mayor Pro Tem Boyer

Delta Vector: VACANT (Recruitment pending)

Home Loan Approval Committee: Mayor Gomez & Councilmember Benavides

SJVAPCD: Councilmember Benavides  
Alternate: Mayor Gomez

2016 Community Funding Ad-Hoc Committee

Mayor Gomez

Councilmember Benavides

Alternate: Councilmember Sisk

*Councilmember Rowlett comments about how nice the Assembly of God Church looks on Ash Street and the Council should acknowledge their beautification work.*

Sisk: no report.

Boyer: is excited about the round about being open,. Would like to see future Agenda item addressing the alleyways and wants to see if a field trip for senior center patrons could be arranged in future.

Finally, Boyer mentioned that he is concerned about the future of the fall festival in that he does not believe Kiwanis can effectively produce the event any longer and hopes someone from the community will step up to help put it on.

Mayor Gomez met with a user of the senior center upset about proposed changes to improve services if the person seems reassured by their discussion that things will work out for the better in the long run. And was concerned about rumor that the Gleaners won't serve the facility if changes are made.

10. City Manager Report

*Round about now open, Sport spark is finished, and has information form League of Cities if Councilmembers are interested.*

*Asked Tom McCurdy with Quad Knopf to give brief Project Updates and included:*

*Waste Water Treatment Plant*

*Water energy Grant*

*Round about Landscaping*

*Visalia Road and S F'ville Blvd Project.*

*Boyer inquired about bidding schedule for Visalia Road (plans to be released "next week" early July) and Gomez asked about using local contractors for the Water Energy Grant work (yes local qualified contractors will be encouraged to bid.)*

11. City Attorney Report

12. Future Agenda Items

- 1) No Parking on Terry Lane
- 2) Animal Control Program
- 3) Fire Mutual Aid and Dispatch Service
- 4) Notice of Completion: Sports Park
- 5) Public Hearing, LLMD's July 25, 2016
- 6) Rite Aid Design Approval
- 7) Design Guidelines
- 8) Program Income

13. Adjourn To Closed Session Or Adjourn To Next Meeting

13.I Closed Session

1) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR(S) (Government Code § 54957.6). It is the intention of this governing body to meet in closed-session to review its position and to instruct its designated representatives:

Designated representative: City Manager Jansons and Fire Chief Crivello

Name of employee organization: Farmersville Professional Firefighters.

2) PENDING LITIGATION (Government Code § 54956.9). It is the intention of this governing body to meet in closed-session concerning:  
Conference with legal counsel – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Government Code § 54956.9(d)). Significant exposure to litigation (Government Code § 54956.9(d)(2)). Number of potential cases is: 1.

14. Reconvene To "Report Out" Of Closed Session And Adjournment

*City Council received updates on both closed session Items with No Reportable Action.*

15. Meeting Adjourned at 9:20 PM.

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Drafted by:

J. Jansons, City Manager